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Learn from each other.*

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

National Quilting Day is March 18th this year. Some people ask if quilting is an art or a craft. Quilting techniques date back as far as the first century, according to Grove's Dictionary of Art. Many people categorize quilting as a craft because it is useful. However, we've all seen especially beautiful quilts, so I think the answer to the question depends on who you ask.

FYI, 60 may be the new 40 but the 100 dollar bill is the new 20. Ain't that the truth?

Have a good month! Sally Mirault, AQG President

UPCOMING DATES

Thurs, Mar 9	7pm Zoom General mtg Link will be sent out Tuesday, March 7
Sat, Mar 11	10am – 4pm Workshop – Convergence Quilt Corica Golf Course
Sat, Mar 18	1pm – 2:30pm Sew 'N Chat Zoom
Tues, Mar 21	1pm – 2:30pm Board mtg Trinity Lutheran, 1323 Central
Thurs, Mar 23	2pm – 3:30pm AQG in the Park Featuring the Kiss-it-goodbye table. Clear out your stash / Find a new project
Sat, Mar 25	Road trip to SF Guild Quilt Show
Tues, Mar 28	11am – 3pm Open Sew at Trinity

Coming! Retreat 2023 will be May 1 - 5. Mark your calendar.

The Alameda Quilt Guild wants to thank Corica Golf Course for generously letting us use their community rooms for our classes.

GENERAL MEETING – ZOOM - 7pm, THURSDAY, MARCH 9

Michele Crawford is a teacher, designer, and pattern maker who loves to quilt and share her passion with students and customers. She has the gift of being able to combine colors and fabrics together through the design process. Her quilting and needlework designs have been published in many national sewing and quilting magazines since 1989.

Michele will be sharing her quilts and designs with us in a program called "Just Cut The Scraps". Look for the Zoom link on Tuesday, March 7.

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome new member Lalia Daoudi.

We currently have 68 members. Renewals continue, \$50.00 for the year. Please check the member information and let me know if there are any corrections. Carole King, king.carole@gmail.com

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate.

Reach out and send good wishes to our sister quilters with birthdays this month!

Sandy Schuitema, Roseann Minafo, Laraine Salmon, Helene Young,
Bonnie Jacobsen, Martha Peck



BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

This Block will be due at the general meeting in April.

Joy Beireis-Molnar and
Suzanne Duran

AQG ROAD TRIPS

Our first one will be Saturday, March 25th to the **San Francisco Quilt Show** in San Francisco. Drivers are needed to take 3-4 members with them to the show.

Can you drive some members? If so, email Terry Hodges to let her know. terryhodges@aol.com

SEW 'N CHAT – Sat, March 18 at 1:00 pm on Zoom

This is a chance to work on your current project and see what others are up to. Look for the link in your email.

ZOOM REMINDERS

The link for Sew 'N Chat will be sent out the preceding Thursday. Zoom regularly updates its desktop and mobile app, be sure you have updated to the latest version.

There is open audio for Sew 'N Chat. Please be aware of background noise- TV, radio, cell phone, dogs, cats, etc. It may not sound loud to you - but the rest of us can hear it.

AQG IN THE PARK – Thurs, March 23

Join us on Thursday, March 23 at 2pm for friends, show 'n tell, and kiss-it-goodbye. We meet just inside the High St entrance of Lincoln Park.

AQG WORKSHOPS 2023

Thanks to those who have volunteered, we have a full calendar of workshops for next year. If, however, you have a brilliant idea for a future workshop, let us know. Schedules can change.

If you are interested, please contact Terry Hodges. Text: 510 846-8272 or email: terryhodges@aol.com

Workshop schedule for 2023

All workshops are taught at Corica Golf Course, on Saturdays from 10am - 4pm



March 11 – Convergence Quilt – Teacher Leslie Sorenson, Fee \$10.00,

Ricky Tims says, “a Convergence quilt is a quilt that features two or more designs that are cut into strips and then merged together”. Leslie will be demonstrating the basic steps and this will give you a chance to try the techniques and finish your mini quilt at home. There are no rules for Convergence quilts, but there are guidelines. You will all have fun seeing the “magic” as your fabric comes together. There is one space left. Email Terry Hodges.



April 15 – Tricks to Making Curves – Teacher: Jennifer Serr – Fee \$10.00

Join instructor Jennifer Serr on Saturday, April 15th from 10-4 for a lesson in sewing curves. We'll spend the first part of class learning different methods of sewing opposing curves using Drunkard's Path templates. The latter portion of the class will be spent learning how to construct the "Arabian Nights" block from A Quilter's Mixology by Angela Pingel. All pieces for the block have been precut and are ready to be sewn. The finished blocks will be assembled into a donation quilt benefitting the guild or one of our supported charities. \$10 for the class. There are 4 spaces left.

(Jennifer is the owner of The Sewing Room here in Alameda, see her website for her extensive sewing experience.)



May 13 – Quillow and Mother's Day Tea – Teacher Terry Hodges, Total fee \$20.00 (\$10.00 + \$10.00 Tea)

Let's make a quilt in a pillow, a quillow. A lap sized quilt that rolls up into a pillow.

You will need to have an 18" pieced, appliqued or embroidered block ready for class. In the afternoon we will have a small tea party.



June 10 – Pomegranate Flowers Wall Hanging - Teacher Joan Beall, Kit Fee \$20.00 (includes everything you need for class), Book fee \$10.00

This is a workshop featuring Kumiko Sudo's 15" square wall hanging. It includes sashiko and applique techniques. The kit and book are needed for this class.



July 8 – Holiday Ornament – Teachers Susan Correa & Terry Hodges, Fee \$10.00, Kit fee \$5.00

Celebrate the holidays in July by making this pinecone ornament, it can be made for Thanksgiving, Christmas or Hanukkah. These would make great centerpiece table decorations, place cards or gifts. This is a no sew class. This easy to do project is a great way to spend a summer day.

August 12 – Kawandi, Part 2 – Teacher Jeanne Heffernan – Fee \$5.00



Kawandi quilting is a form of slow and mindful stitching done by the Indian Siddi Women. This is a hand stitched quilt, made from scrap fabric.

September 9 & 10 (Sat. & Sun.) - Sidelights - Teacher Valerie Yeaton, Fee \$30.00 + pattern

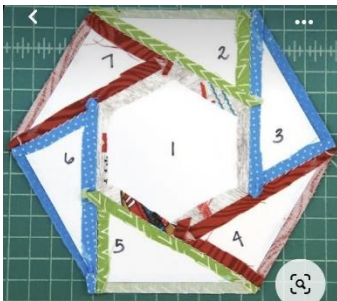


Valerie formerly taught at Quilt Fans and since its closing she has taught at The Cotton Patch and several other stores in the East Bay. This project was designed to showcase a large print or panel. Start with your feature fabric and add a few coordinating pieces to produce a stunning wall hanging, lap quilt, or throw. Finished size is approximately 47" x 63".

October 14 - Donation Sewing Day & Lunch - Facilitator Terry Hodges, Fee - cost of your lunch

Take this day to finish up your quilts, joy bundles, pillowcases or fidget quilts for our Donation Day in December. Enjoy sewing with other members and having lunch with them at Jim's on the Course.

November 11 - Paper Piecing, Part B - Teacher Terry Hodges – Fee \$10.00



This class is for the person who has some experience with paper piecing, or who needs a refresher course. If you are a beginner, you must have taken Terry's Paper Piecing, part A last January. We will be doing blocks that create their own challenges for paper piecers, such as angled pieces and intersecting pieces. This method gives you perfect blocks every time!

AQG ANNUAL RETREAT – May 1-5, 2023

There are THREE SPACES AVAILABLE!

The Mercy Center Retreat and Conference Center in Auburn will be hosting the Guild again this year for our Spring retreat, May 1 thru 5. There are currently 3 spaces available. The Member cost is \$475. If you would like to attend, please call Marge McLean, 510-909-4348.

2023 Challenge Quilt: Paint Chips!

This year's challenge is paint chips. Terry has prepared envelopes for you. The envelope will contain two paint chips from a local hardware store. Your challenge is to use those two colors from the paint chips, in addition to two neutrals. We will vote and prizes will be awarded!

Rules:

- Contact Terry Hodges to choose your envelope. She will be at our guild meetings for you to pick it up or you can phone, text, or email her and she will drop off your envelope.
- Use the two colors you chose. You can use solids or prints as long as they represent the color from the paint chip.
- You can add only 2 neutral colors to your project (background counts as 1 neutral).
- The project has to be 18" square, bound and labeled by Nov. 9th at our meeting deadline.
- Use any block pattern, applique pattern, original creation etc. that you would like as long as the colors are represented and the project is quilted.
- No trading of paint chips between members, this is a challenge to get you out of your comfort zone.
- Save your paint chips for the big reveal at the general meeting due on **November 9th**.
- Paint chips must be displayed along with the finished product.

Please let Terry Hodges know if you need anything else. terryhodes@aol.com

AQG PROGRAMS FOR 2023 (in person unless otherwise indicated)

March (**Zoom**) – Speaker Michele Crawford. “Just Cut the Scrap”
April – Favorite book or tool sharing; how to present a historical quilt
May – Happy 8th birthday Potluck
June – Member extended Show & Tell
July – Game Night; Donation event
August – Four holiday gift demos; Kiss-it-Goodbye
September – Speaker Carol Ziogas, owner KimonoMomo
October – Four quilting technique demos
November – Quilt Journeys; Show & Tell
December – Holiday Potluck; Donation Event; Board Induction

All meetings are at 7pm. The in-person meetings are at Trinity Lutheran, 1323 Central Ave.

QUILT JOURNEYS

Many of you have been quilting for a long time and we would love to see some of your work.

Basically, you would be doing a mini trunk show and talking about your personal quilt journey.

Contact terryhodes@aol.com if you can volunteer or you can nominate someone in the guild you know has an interesting journey to share.

LOCAL RESOURCES

We all bemoan the lack of a fabric store in Alameda – but are you aware of the resources we do have?

Recrafting (an AQG affiliate) has a variety of fabrics and tools.

It is a consignment shop, so check back often. 2449 Santa Clara

Needle in a Haystack has threads and needles. It can be tricky to find.

Check online and give them a call.

The Sewing Room (an AQG affiliate) has fabric and patterns. 2434 Webb

OUTREACH

The mission statement for AQQ is make friends, share what we know, learn from each other. From the beginning there has always been an intention that the guild will “outreach” into the community. As our membership has grown, it is worth repeating this idea.

As much as you are able, choose one donation item to contribute annually. Members can do more of course.

- Pillowcase(foster youth or patriotic)
- Quilt of any size for children, teen, adult
- Fidget quilt
- Joy bundle

Any member willing to donate cotton colorful or patriotic for pillowcase kits will be appreciated LABELS are available at monthly member meetings or by contacting outreach coordinators. Large labels are needed for all quilts. Smaller labels are required for fidget quilts and Joy bundle quilts.

Any members who wish kits or labels can contact either Helene Young, heyoun@earthlink.net or Jeanne Heffernan, 510 263-8085 or jmh8346@sbcglobal.net to request. Fabric donations can be made to Helene Young, Jeanne Heffernan, or Dorothy Kerwin.

MINI-RETREAT – Sept 23 & 24

The mini retreat will be Saturday September 23 & Sunday the 24th. It will be at High Street Station on Encinal here in Alameda. This is a wonderful time to catch up on projects and get to know more of your sister quilters. Plan for it now!

The fee is \$98.00 for the weekend which includes lunch both days. There is a \$ 50.00 non refundable fee to sign up. Sign ups will be available at the April meeting or you can email Terry Hodges at terryhodges@aol.com

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Member Kim Orzell wants to share a long arm source in Bend, Oregon.

Sandy Lachkowski works through Quilt Basket. She is especially adept at custom quilting.

Credit cards are accepted. Their phone is 541-383-4310

Let us know how our members are doing. Tell us about accomplishments, challenges, good news, or other news. Send to kerwindorothy@gmail.com

FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

If you would like to join one or start a new one, email Terry Hodges. (terryhodges@aol.com)

- Threaders- 1st Tuesday is full
- TBD - 1st Thursday 2- 4:30pm - 1 opening, we do hand and machine work, contact kerwindorothy@gmail.com
- PieceMakers - 4th Tuesday at 10am is full. They do hand work only.
- No Name - 4th Thursday is full

NEWS YOU CAN USE -

Long Arm Quilting Services

RoseAnn Minafo (an Alameda Quilt Guild member) of Malcolm Hill Quilts is offering long arm quilting. Call for quotes. She is at 493 Dolores Ave, San Leandro, 415 828-6296, malcolmhillquilts@gmail.com



OUTING

Pauline Marx recommends a gallery show at the Los Medanos College Library in Pittsburg, just off Hwy 4. Open until March 9, 12-4 pm Monday through Thursday.

The artist is Alice Beasley is a Bay Area artist who “paints” with fabric, primarily doing portraits. The show is mostly portraits but also human issues commentary. Her design sense and knowledge of her craft is formidable. There is incredible creativity and color mastery. I would love to learn more about her planning and process for making these pieces.

Also recommending Las Panchitas Restaurant for a great nearby lunch.

EVENTS

Fri – Sun, Mar 3rd-5th

Quilt Show: Folsom Quilt & Fiber Guild - Live the Adventure - Stitch by Stitch

www.folsomquilt.org Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma St, Folsom, CA 95630, USA

Sat – Sun, Mar 4th-5th

Quilt Show: Manteca Quilters Guild, Saturday 9-4, Sunday 9-3, Admission \$10 cash only
2707 Transworld Dr, Stockton, CA

Sat, Mar 4th

Guild of Quilters of Contra Costa County Zoom Workshop: Artful Couching, 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM
Learn the art of couching with yarns to create texture, flow, and extra pizzazz.

Fri – Sat, Mar 24th-25th

Quilt Show: SF Quilters Guild, Friday 10-6, Saturday 10-5

Admission \$15 or \$12 in advance. Admission good for both days, under 18 free.

Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, 1111 Gough St, San Francisco, CA 94109, USA

Sat – Sun, Apr 15th-16th

Quilt Show: Guild of Quilters of Contra Costa County, 2023 - Celebrating 50 Years 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Elks Lodge, 1475 Creekside Dr, Walnut Creek, CA 94596, USA

Sat – Sun, May 6th-7th

Quilt Show: Pine Tree Quilt Guild, Grass Valley - "Springtime in the Pines" Quilt Show

10am - 4pm both days www.pinetreequiltguild.com

Nevada County Fairgrounds, 11228 McCourtney Rd, Grass Valley, CA 95949, USA

Send submissions to the newsletter editor - kerwindorothy@gmail.com

WEBSITE

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2023 AFFILIATES

The Sewing Room, 2434 Webb Ave	510 332 9002	thesewingroomalameda.com
The Recrafting Company 2449 Santa Clara	510 263 0249	www.therecraftingco.com
The Cotton Patch	925 284-1177	thecottonpatch.shop

Be sure to mention you saw them in this newsletter.

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SATURDAY

March 4th

7:00 pm

Oakland Marriott
City Center

1001 Broadway, Oakland

The quilters of Gee's Bend, Alabama on quilting, song
and cultural renaissance
Mary Ann Pettway, China Pettway, and Julia Pettway

Call to RSVP 510-434-3988. Admission is Free.

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